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Mr. [REDACTED]  
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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

I now wish to inform you that your letter of December 20th has been brought to the attention of our Executive at its meeting held in Ottawa on Friday evening, January 31st, (1986) and that I have been instructed to advise you that the Canadian Psychiatric Association maintains the same general policy as that of the American Psychiatric Association namely that "it is opposed to and condemns any discrimination against homosexuals because of their sexual orientation".

I have also been asked to send you the Position Statement of the CPA on homosexuality which is the following:-

The Canadian psychiatric Association deplores any restriction of the civil liberties of any citizen by virtue of that person's sexual orientation, and it further declares that homosexuality per se should place no burden of proof of judgement, capacity or reliability on such persons greater than that imposed on any other individual.

Yours very sincerely, [REDACTED]

(Mrs.) Lea C. Métivier  
Chief Administrative Officer.

p.S. Attached also  
is a copy of the Ontario Psychiatric Association's motion  
on Homosexuality and mental illness approved and carried  
at their Council Meeting on June 18, 1975.

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